

Word of God Speak! - Gospel of John Series 2b

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John 2:13-22

13 It was nearly time for the Jewish Passover celebration, so Jesus went to Jerusalem.

14 In the Temple area He saw merchants selling cattle, sheep, and doves for sacrifices; He also saw dealers at tables exchanging foreign money.

John 2:15-16

15 Jesus made a whip from some ropes and chased them all out of the Temple. He drove out the sheep and cattle, scattered the money changers' coins over the floor, and turned over their tables.

*16 Then, going over to the people who sold doves, He told them, **"Get these things out of here. Stop turning My Father's house into a marketplace!"***

What was Jesus so upset about?

John 2:17

17 Then His disciples remembered this prophecy from the Scriptures: "Passion for God's house will consume Me."

**See Psa. 69:9; 119:39.*

Jesus cleansed the temple another time...

Matthew 21:12-13

12 Jesus entered the Temple and began to drive out all the people buying and selling animals for sacrifice. He knocked over the tables of the money changers and the chairs of those selling doves.

13 He said to them, "The Scriptures declare, 'My Temple will be called a house of prayer,' but you have turned it into a den of thieves!"

What should be our takeaway from our text of scripture in John ch. 2?

What is God's business? What is the business of this church and my role/purpose in this church?

Matthew 28:19-20

19 Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.

20 Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age."

Colossians 1:18

Christ is also the head of the church, which is His body. He is the beginning, supreme over all who rise from the dead. So He is first in everything.

Christ must have the preeminent position in this church and your life!

What is the motive/the passion of your worship?

***See Matthew 15:8-9 Is your worship truly worship?**

James 4:8

Come close to God, and God will come close to you. Wash your hands, you sinners; purify your hearts, for your loyalty is divided between God and the world.

How do I “come close to God”?

Spend time in His Word. *I will study Your commandments and reflect on Your ways. Psa. 119:15*

Spend time with Him in prayer.

Come, let us worship and bow down. Let us kneel before the Lord our maker, Psa. 95:6

I listen carefully to what God the Lord is saying, for He speaks peace to His faithful people. But let them not return to their foolish ways. Psa. 85:8

“Come to Me with your ears wide open. Listen, and you will find life. Isa. 55:3

Be obedient to His Word. *“If you love Me, obey My commandments. John 14:15*

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What does “wash your hands, you sinners” mean?

What do I need to do in order to ensure I am consumed with the same passion as Jesus?